

A BIBLIOGRAPHY FOR ENGLISH TEACHERS
OF SLOW LEARNERS

The items included in this bibliography have come from several sources: teachers participating in the NCTE Study Group on English for the Slow Learner (Cleveland, 1964); recent guides and courses of study; reviews in professional publications. Inclusion of an item does not constitute an endorsement. Space has been left in each category for entering additional authors and titles.

The bibliography is limited in scope. Three categories, for example, are not included: programed texts; films and filmstrips; and recordings. Each has value in teaching of slow learners.

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